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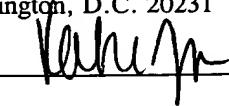
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For: METHODS FOR REPAIRING DAMAGED INTERVERTEBRAL DISCS

This application claims priority from each of the following Application Nos./filing dates:  
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 An assignment of the invention to ArthroCare Corporation.  
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 A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27  is enclosed  was filed in the earliest of the above-identified patent application(s).  
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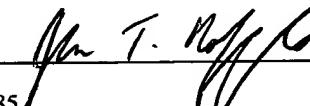
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